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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN TO PARTICIPATE IN JULY 2-3 AFGHAN RULE OF
LAW CONFERENCE IN ROME

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¶1. (C) On June 28, PolOff delivered reftel points to Amir Shaukat, Director for Afghanistan at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Shaukat told PolOff the Government of Pakistan would participate in the July 2-3 Afghan Rule of Law Conference in Rome. Shaukat said Interior Minister Sherpao would "very likely" participate, but that his attendance could not be confirmed until he returned from China on June ¶30. If Sherpao was unable to participate, Mirza Qamar Beg, Pakistan's Ambassador in Rome, would attend in Sherpao's place. According to Shaukat, Beg was a former Federal Commerce Secretary, and he had served in government in law related ministries both in Islamabad and in other parts of Pakistan.

¶2. (C) Shaukat said he did not know whether Pakistan would make additional pledges of support, but he believed Pakistan would "at the very least" reaffirm its commitment to ongoing judicial and sharia judicial trainings for Afghans. Shaukat noted Italian Foreign Minister Massimo d'Alema asked President Musharraf for high-level participation in the Conference during a late May meeting in Islamabad.

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